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## **DETAILED ACTION**

## Amendment

1. Receipt is acknowledged of the amendment filed 10 May 2007.

## Allowable Subject Matter

- 2. Claims 1-3, 5, 8-15, and 18-19 are allowed.
- 3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The best prior art of record, of Zucker and Beeston, fails to teach the specific power circuit within the apparatus for controlling a control surface of an aircraft. In addition, the applicant's remarks are persuasive to overcome the prior art.

Hence the best prior art of record fails to teach the invention as set forth in claims 1-3, 5, 8-15, and 18-19 and the examiner can find no teaching of the specific apparatus for controlling a control surface of an aircraft, nor reasons within the cited prior art or on her own to combine the elements of these references other than the applicant's own reasoning to fully encompass the current pending claims. In addition, see applicant's reasoning in amendment/response filed 20 February 2007 and 10 May 2007.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

## Conclusion

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to *Lisa M. Caputo* whose telephone number is (571) 272-2388. The examiner can normally be reached between the hours of 8:30AM to 5:00PM Monday through Friday. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are

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unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Michael G. Lee can be reached at (571) 272-2398. The fax phone number for this Group is (571) 273-8300.

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